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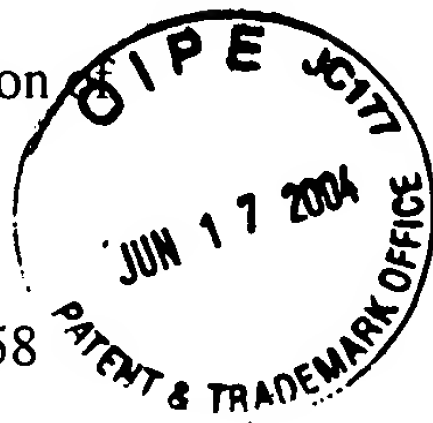
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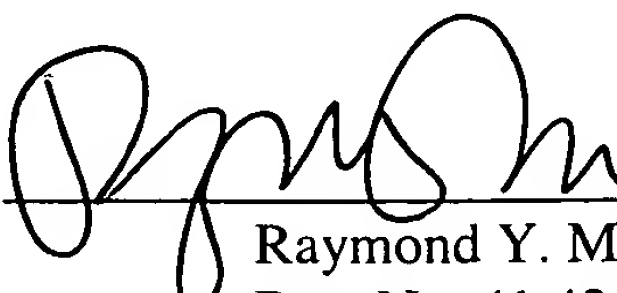
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Applicant notes that the document entitled "Flexible Instrument For Time-Correlated Single Photon Counting Instrument For Dynamic Lifetime Measurements In DNA Sequencing Applications" cited on the Form PTO-1449 filed December 22, 2000 was not initialed as being considered by the Examiner. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner initial and return the Form PTO-1449 after considering this reference. For the Examiner's convenience, Applicant has enclosed a copy of the Form PTO-1449.

Respectfully submitted,

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